INTERNATIONAL, INC., a Delaware corporation, MIKE SMERKLO, an individual, Defendants.

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Plaintiff Scott Weller ("Plaintiff") has alleged the following based upon the investigation of Plaintiff's counsel, which included a review of United States Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") filings by Scout Analytics, Inc. ("Scout") and Service Source International, Inc. ("Service Source") (collectively, the "Companies"), as well as regulatory filings and reports, securities analysts' reports and advisories about the Companies, press releases and other public statements issued by the Companies, and media reports about the Companies. Plaintiff believes that substantial additional evidentiary support will exist for the allegations set forth herein after a reasonable opportunity for discovery.

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#### I. NATURE OF ACTION

1. This is a securities class action on behalf of purchasers of the common stock of Service Source between January 22, 2014 and August 25, 2014, inclusive (the "Class Period"), seeking to pursue remedies under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act").

### II. JURISDICTION AND VENUE

- 2. The claims asserted herein arise under and pursuant to §§ 10(b) and 20(a) of the Exchange Act [15 U.S.C. §§ 78j(b) and 78t(a)] and Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder by the SEC [17 C.F.R. § 240.10b-5].
- 3. This Court has jurisdiction over the subject matter of this action pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1331 and § 27 of the Exchange Act.
- 4. Venue is proper in this District pursuant to § 27 of the Exchange Act and 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b). Many of the acts charged herein, including the dissemination of materially false and misleading information, occurred in this District.
- 5. In connection with the acts alleged in this Complaint, Defendants, directly or indirectly, used the means and instrumentalities of interstate commerce, including, but not limited to, the mails and interstate telephone communications.

### III. PARTIES

- 6. Plaintiff Scott Weller purchased the common stock of Service Source during the Class Period and has been damaged thereby.
- 7. Defendant Scout is a cloud-based customer lifecycle management solution designed to maximize customer value and accelerate sustainable growth in revenue and profits. Scout transforms silos of customer data and usage data into predictive analytics and automations that personalize customer interactions at scale. By providing ongoing insight into customer usage, Scout helps companies grow retention rate through customer success, maximize customer lifetime value through add-on and upgrade sales, optimize rate plans, and increase trial conversions. Scout was founded in 2008 and is headquartered in Issaquah, Washington.

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- 8. Defendant Service Source provides cloud-based recurring revenue management solutions. The company helps customers drive growth and build relationships across the customer lifecycle with data management, analytics, automation and services capabilities. Service Source was founded in 1999 and is headquartered in San Francisco, California. Service Source's stock trades on the NASDAQ, an efficient market, under the ticker symbol "SREV".
- 9. Defendant Mike Smerklo ("Smerklo"), at all relevant times, served as President, Chief Executive Officer ("CEO"), and a director of Service Source.
- During the Class Period, Smerklo, as a senior executive officer and director 10. of Service Source, was privy to confidential and proprietary information concerning Service Source, its operations, finances, financial condition and present and future business prospects. Smerklo also had access to material adverse non-public information concerning Service Source, as discussed in detail below. Because of his position with Service Source, Smerklo had access to non-public information about its business, finances, products, markets and present and future business prospects via internal corporate documents, conversations and connections with other corporate officers and employees, attendance at management and/or board of directors meetings and committees thereof and via reports and other information provided to them in connection therewith. Because of his possession of such information, Smerklo knew or recklessly disregarded that the adverse facts specified herein had not been disclosed to, and were being concealed from, the investing public.
- Smerklo is liable as a direct participant in the wrongs complained of herein. 11. In addition, Smerklo, by reason of his status as a senior executive officer and/or director, was a "controlling person" within the meaning of §20(a) of the Exchange Act and had the power and influence to cause Service Source to engage in the unlawful conduct complained of herein. Because of his position of control, Smerklo was able to and did, directly or indirectly, control the conduct of Service Source business.

possessed the authority to control the contents of its reports, press releases and presentations to securities analysts and through them, to the investing public. Smerklo was provided with copies of Service Source's reports and press releases alleged herein to be misleading, prior to or shortly after their issuance and had the ability and opportunity to prevent their issuance or cause them to be corrected. Thus, Smerklo had the opportunity to commit the fraudulent acts alleged herein.

- 13. As a senior executive officer and/or director and as a controlling person of a publicly traded company whose common stock was, and is, registered with the NASDAQ and governed by the federal securities laws, Smerklo had a duty to promptly disseminate accurate and truthful information with respect to Service Source's financial condition and performance, growth, operations, financial statements, business, products, markets, management, earnings and present and future business prospects, and to correct any previously issued statements that had become materially misleading or untrue, so that the market price of Service Source common stock would be based upon truthful and accurate information. Smerklo's misrepresentations and omissions during the Class Period violated these specific requirements and obligations.
- 14. Smerklo is liable as a participant in a fraudulent scheme and course of conduct that operated as a fraud or deceit on purchasers of Service Source common stock by disseminating materially false and misleading statements and/or concealing material adverse facts. The scheme: (i) deceived the investing public regarding Service Source's business, operations and management and the intrinsic value of Service Source common stock; (ii) allowed Smerklo and certain Company insiders to collectively sell their personally held Service Source common stock for millions of dollars in proceeds; (iii) allowed Smerklo to obtain millions of dollars in cash bonuses and other perks for fiscal 2012; and (v) caused plaintiff and members of the Class to purchase Service Source common stock at artificially inflated prices.

### IV. CLASS ACTION ALLEGATIONS

- 15. Plaintiff brings this action as a class action pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23(a) and (b)(3) on behalf of a class consisting of all those who purchased the common stock of Service Source during the Class Period and who were damaged thereby (the "Class"). Excluded from the Class are Defendants and their families, the officers and directors of Service Source, at all relevant times, members of their immediate families and their legal representatives, heirs, successors or assigns and any entity in which Defendants have or had a controlling interest.
- 16. The members of the Class are so numerous that joinder of all members is impracticable. Throughout the Class Period, Service Source common stock was actively traded on the NASDAQ. While the exact number of Class members is unknown to Plaintiff at this time and can only be ascertained through appropriate discovery, Plaintiff believes that there are thousands of members in the proposed Class. Record owners and other members of the Class may be identified from records maintained by Service Source or its transfer agent and may be notified of the pendency of this action by mail, using the form of notice similar to that customarily used in securities class actions.
- 17. Plaintiffs' claims are typical of the claims of the members of the Class as all members of the Class are similarly affected by Defendants' wrongful conduct in violation of federal law complained of herein.
- 18. Plaintiff will fairly and adequately protect the interests of the members of the Class and has retained counsel competent and experienced in class action and securities litigation.
- 19. Common questions of law and fact exist as to all members of the Class and predominate over any questions solely affecting individual members of the Class. Among the questions of law and fact common to the Class are:
  - a. whether the federal securities laws were violated by Defendants' acts as alleged;
  - b. whether statements made by Defendants to the investing public

comprehensive recurring revenue solution for both subscription and traditional businesses. The transaction closed today and is expected to be accretive to non-GAAP EPS in 2015.

(Emphasis added.)

- 25. The statements referenced above were materially false and misleading when made because they misrepresented and failed to disclose that Defendants have never held more than \$5 million in gross revenues, and have never managed funds, let alone in the 10 figure range.
- 26. Not only did the Press Release conceal Defendants' true financial condition from would-be investors, it also inflated that condition by a factor of 700.
- 27. Defendants knowingly and intentionally overstated the value of Defendants' equity and failed to disclose that Scout's cash position was precarious at best.
- 28. The fraudulent statements contained in the Press Release induced Plaintiff and members of the Plaintiff Class to purchase shares of stock in Service Source, and to do so at inflated prices.
- 29. During the Class Period, Defendants materially misled the investing public, thereby inflating the price of Service Source common stock, by publicly issuing false and misleading statements and omitting to disclose material facts necessary to make Defendants' statements, as set forth herein, not false and misleading. Said statements and omissions were materially false and misleading in that they failed to disclose material adverse information and misrepresented the truth about Defendants, their businesses and operations, as alleged herein.
- 30. At all relevant times, the material misrepresentations and omissions particularized in this Complaint directly or proximately caused, or were a substantial contributing cause of, the damages sustained by Plaintiff and other members of the Class. As described herein, during the Class Period, Defendants made or caused to be made a series of materially false or misleading statements about Service Source's business, prospects and operations. These material misstatements and omissions had the cause and

effect of creating in the market an unrealistically positive assessment of Defendants, their businesses, prospects and operations, thus causing Service Source's common stock to be overvalued and artificially inflated at all relevant times. Defendants' materially false and misleading statements during the Class Period resulted in Plaintiff and other members of the Class purchasing Service Source's common stock at artificially inflated prices, thus causing the damages complained of herein.

#### VI. ADDITIONAL SCIENTER ALLEGATIONS

- 31. As alleged herein, Defendants acted with scienter in that Defendants knew, or recklessly disregarded, that the public documents and statements they issued and disseminated to the investing public in their own name during the Class Period were materially false and misleading. Defendants knowingly and substantially participated or acquiesced in the issuance or dissemination of such statements and documents as primary violations of the federal securities laws.
- 32. Defendants knew and/or recklessly disregarded the false and misleading nature of the information which they caused to be disseminated to the investing public. The fraudulent scheme described herein could not have been perpetrated during the Class Period without the knowledge and complicity or, at least, the reckless disregard of personnel at the highest levels of Scout and Service Source, including Smerklo.
- 33. Smerklo, because of his position with Service Source, controlled the contents of the Company's public statements during the Class Period. Smerklo was provided with or had access to copies of the documents alleged herein to be false and/or misleading prior to or shortly after their issuance and had the ability and opportunity to prevent their issuance or cause them to be corrected. Because of his position and access to material non-public information, Smerklo knew or recklessly disregarded that the adverse facts specified herein had not been disclosed to and were being concealed from the public and that the positive representations that were being made were false and misleading. As a result, Smerklo is responsible for the accuracy of Service Source's corporate statements and is therefore responsible and liable for the representations contained therein.

Additionally, Defendants' materially false and/or misleading statements

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27 28 alleged herein were made willfully so as to: (i) induce Plaintiff and members of the Plaintiff Class to purchase shares of stock in Service Source, and to do so at inflated prices; (ii) justify the payment of tens of millions of dollars in executive compensation to the Individual Defendants and others; and (iii) allow certain insiders—including Smerklo—to cash in by selling millions of dollars' worth of Service Source stock at artificially inflated prices.

### LOSS CAUSATION/ECONOMIC LOSS

- 35. During the Class Period, as detailed herein, Defendants engaged in a scheme to deceive the market and a course of conduct that artificially inflated the price of Service Source common stock and operated as a fraud or deceit on Class Period purchasers of Service Source common stock by failing to disclose and misrepresenting the adverse facts detailed herein. Defendants' false and misleading statements had the intended effect and caused Service Source common stock to trade at artificially inflated levels throughout the Class Period. When Defendants' prior misrepresentations and fraudulent conduct were disclosed and became apparent to the market, the price of Service Source common stock fell precipitously as the prior artificial inflation came out. As a result of their purchases of Service Source common stock during the Class Period, Plaintiff and the other Class members suffered economic loss, i.e., damages, under the federal securities laws.
- By failing to disclose to investors the adverse facts detailed herein, 36. Defendants presented a misleading picture of Service Source's business and prospects. When the truth about Service Source was revealed to the market, the price of Service Source common stock fell precipitously. These declines removed the inflation from the price of Service Source common stock, causing real economic loss to investors who had purchased Service Source common stock during the Class Period.
- The declines in the price of Service Source common stock after the 37. corrective disclosures came to light were a direct result of the nature and extent of

1	Defendants' fraudulent misrepresentations being revealed to investors and the market.
2	The timing and magnitude of the price declines in Service Source common stock negate
3	any inference that the loss suffered by Plaintiff and the other Class members was caused
4	by changed market conditions, macroeconomic or industry factors or Service Source-
5	specific facts unrelated to Defendants' fraudulent conduct. The economic loss, i.e.,
6	damages, suffered by plaintiff and the other Class members was a direct result of
7	Defendants' fraudulent scheme to artificially inflate the price of Service Source common
8	stock and the subsequent significant decline in the value of Service Source common stock
9	when Defendants' prior misrepresentations and other fraudulent conduct were revealed.
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11	VIII. APPLICABILITY OF PRESUMPTION OF RELIANCE: FRAUD ON THE MARKET DOCTRINE
12	38. At all relevant times, the market for Service Source common stock was an
13	efficient market for the following reasons, among others:
14	a. Service Source common stock met the requirements for listing, and
15	was listed and actively traded on the NASDAQ, a highly efficient,
16	electronic stock market;
17	b. As a regulated issuer, Service Source filed periodic public reports
18	with the SEC and the NASDAQ;
19	c. Service Source regularly communicated with public investors via
20	established market communication mechanisms, including regular
21	disseminations of press releases on the national circuits of major
22	newswire services and other wide-ranging public disclosures, such as
23	communications with the financial press and other similar reporting
24	services; and
25	d. Service Source was followed by securities analysts employed by
26	major brokerage firms who wrote reports which were distributed to
27	the sales force and certain customers of their respective brokerage
28	firms. Each of these reports was publicly available and entered the

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As a result of the foregoing, the market for Service Source coltmon stock 39. promptly digested current information regarding Service Source from all publicly available sources and reflected such information in the prices of the stock. Under these circumstances, all purchasers of Service Source common stock during the Class Period suffered similar injury through their purchase of Service Source common stock at artificially inflated prices and a presumption of reliance applies.

#### IX. NO SAFE HARBOR

40. The statutory safe harbor provided for forward-looking statements under certain circumstances does not apply to any of the allegedly false statements pleaded in this Complaint. Many of the specific statements pleaded herein were not identified as "forward-looking statements" when made. To the extent there were any forward-looking statements, there were no meaningful cautionary statements identifying important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those in the purportedly forwardlooking statements. Alternatively, to the extent that the statutory safe harbor does apply to any forward-looking statements pleaded herein, defendants are liable for those false forward-looking statements because at the time each of those forward-looking statements was made, the particular speaker knew that the particular forward-looking statement was false, and/or the forward-looking statement was authorized and/or approved by an executive officer of Service Source who knew that those statements were false when made.

#### X. COUNT I: Violation of § 10(b) of the Exchange Act and Rule 10b-5 Promulgated Thereunder Against All Defendants

- Plaintiff repeats and realleges each and every allegation contained above as 41. if fully set forth herein.
- 42. During the Class Period, Defendants disseminated or approved the materially false and misleading statements specified above, which they knew or deliberately disregarded were misleading in that they contained misrepresentations and

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failed to disclose material facts necessary in order to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading.

- 43. These defendants: (a) employed devices, schemes, and artifices to defraud; (b) made untrue statements of material fact and/or omitted to state material facts necessary to make the statements made not misleading; and (c) engaged in acts, practices, and a course of business which operated as a fraud and deceit upon the purchasers of the Service Source's common stock during the Class Period.
- 44. Plaintiff and the Class have suffered damages in that, in reliance on the integrity of the market, they paid artificially inflated prices for Service Source common stock. Plaintiff and the Class would not have purchased Service Source common stock at the prices they paid, or at all, if they had been aware that the market prices had been artificially and falsely inflated by these Defendants' misleading statements.
- 45. As a direct and proximate result of these Defendants' wrongful conduct, Plaintiff and the other members of the Class suffered damages in connection with their purchases of Service Source common stock during the Class Period.

#### XI. COUNT II: Violation of § 20(A) of the Exchange Act Against Smerklo

- Plaintiff repeats and realleges each and every allegation contained above as 46. if fully set forth herein.
- 47. Smerklo acted as a controlling person of Service Source within the meaning of §20(a) of the Exchange Act as alleged herein. By reason of his position as an officer and/or director of Service Source, and his ownership of Service Source common stock, Smerklo had the power and authority to cause Service Source to engage in the wrongful conduct complained of herein. By reason of such conduct, Smerklo is liable pursuant to §20(a) of the Exchange Act.

#### XII. PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays for relief and judgment, as follows:

1. Determining that this action is a proper class action, designating Plaintiff as Lead Plaintiff and certifying Plaintiff as a Class representative under Rule 23 of the

1	Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and Plaintiff's counsel as Lead Counsel;
2	2. Awarding compensatory damages in favor of Plaintiff and the other Class
3	members against all defendants, jointly and severally, for all damages sustained as a
4	result of defendants' wrongdoing, in an amount to be proven at trial, including interest
5	thereon;
6	3. Awarding Plaintiff and the Class their reasonable costs and expenses
7	incurred in this action, including counsel fees and expert fees; and
8	4. Such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and proper.
9	XIII. JURY DEMAND
10	Plaintiff hereby demands a trial by jury.
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12	Dated August 26, 2014.
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